

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 26, and ending on page 7, line 4, as follows:

a' The control unit 3 further includes a memory in the form of a hard disk on which software has been installed and working memory of the processor 16. Contained in the memory is processing code 19 (see Fig. 2) for controlling the control unit 3 for processing the rough print file 20 into a processed print file 21. Further contained in the memory 18 is representation code 22-25 for causing the processing instructions to be represented in humanly perceptible form. This representation code is editable for changing the representations of the processing instructions and is convertible into processing code 19 by means of a conversion operation [[26]] 37 .

Kindly amend the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 12, and ending on page 7,
line 22, as follows:

a² The representation codes 23-25 according to the present example form part of a file 26 and each form a set of instructions in the form of a script. These scripts each form a job setting, i.e. a combination of instructions applying to the assembly of a series of mail pieces. By means of selection code 27, a window with options is presented to a user on a display in the form of a viewing screen ~~[[28]]~~ 38 (Fig. 1) which is connected with the control unit 3. After a user (this is generally not the person who has composed the scripts) has entered a choice via a keyboard 35, the selected script, in this case script no. 3, is processed by the ~~converter 19~~ conversion operation 37 into active processing code 19 with which the processes "parameter preparation" 28 and "processing and transformations" 29 are controlled.

Kindly amend the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 10, and ending on page 9, line 17, as follows:

a³ The file of basic components 33 is also consulted during conversion of a script by the ~~converter 26~~ conversion operation 37 in response to references, found in the script, to basic components in that file 33. The basic components can also include instructions in the form of parts of script, in which case in response to selection of those basic components those parts of script are included in the script code being processed 22. For executing the processing operations according to those parts of script, the converter does not need to consult the file 33 with basic components.

Kindly amend the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 10, and ending on page 10, line 18, as follows:

Q4 The converter code [[26]] for the conversion operation 37 can form part of the software belonging to the system or form part of standard software present. It is also possible to have the conversion carried out elsewhere, after which the processing code is returned in a form executable by the control unit and stored, for instance in association with the representation code, to document the content of the processing code. However, the presence of a converter on the system provides the advantage that instructions in the form of representation code can be carried out directly and stepwise, without first requiring a formal intermediate step of complete conversion.